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CIA Plan on Libya Reported

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CIA Director William J. Casey approved an agency plan to depose Libya's Muammar Qaddafi, Newsweek magazine reported yesterday.

But the House Intelligence Committee was so outraged by the plan, the magazine said, that it sent a "strong letter of protest" to President Reagan.

Newsweek said Max Hugel, the CIA deputy director of covert operations who resigned earlier this month after allegations of improper business practices, presented the agency plan to the House committee.

Casey, who was Reagan's presi-

dential campaign director, is currently facing a Senate committee investigation into his past business dealings and his appointment of Hugel.

The CIA plan, according to the magazine, called for a "disinformation" campaign to embarrass Qaddafi, the creation of a counter-government to challenge his authority, and a paramilitary campaign.

An administration spokesman, according to Newsweek, said Reagan has not yet seen the committee's letter of protest because it is going through "the regular clearance process."